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**MANAGEMENT OF HUNTING, FISHING AND VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**

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This instruction sets up policies and explains procedures for the control of hunting and fishing on Edwards Air Force Base (EAFB). It applies to all persons who hunt and fish on EAFB. This instruction also sets up policies and explains procedures for the Wildlife Conservation Program. The purpose is to assign organizational responsibilities, direct actions, and prescribe procedures for management, supervision, and operation of the Air Force Flight Test Center (AFFTC) Fish and Wildlife Conservation Program. The hunting and fishing program is conducted in compliance with the California State Regulations.

**SUMMARY OF REVISIONS**

This revision reorganizes this instruction placing hunting and fishing into separate sections, consolidates and further defines individual and organizational responsibilities, updates organizational names throughout the regulation, authorizes an archery hunting area (para 5.1.4), provides a process for handicap persons during duck blind selection, requires State hunting licenses be shown at the duck blind drawing, requires signed statements by persons in Priorities 1 through 3, authorizes waterfowl hunting all day on Wednesdays, authorizes upland game hunting in accordance with State hunting regulations, increases hunting permit fees to \$25 for active duty enlisted military (E1 through E9) and \$50 for all others, provides for collection of a \$2 Services use-fee for each permit sold,; establishes a daily fishing permit, revises the boundary for Hunting Area 2, and eliminates the need for boat permits at Branch Pond, but establishes a limit of two boats at any given time.

**1. RESPONSIBILITIES**

1.1. The Air Base Wing Vice Commander

1.1.1. Controls hunting and fishing activities.

1.1.2. Designates individuals to serve as Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists.

1.1.3. Recognizes the outstanding accomplishments of Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists.

1.1.4. Rescinds Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist status.

1.1.5. Authorizes special events and requests falling under these regulations.

1.1.6. Authorizes temporary waivers and/or added restrictions to this regulation when such action is not inconsistent with applicable Federal, State, and/or Air Force regulations.

1.1.7. Suspends or revokes Base hunting and/or fishing privileges of personnel found violating Federal, State, or Base wildlife laws or regulations.

1.1.8. Delegates, if appropriate, these responsibilities to the Support Group Commander.

1.2. The Director, Environmental Management

1.2.1. Confers with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the California Department of Fish and Game to ensure compliance with applicable Federal and State laws.

1.2.2. Assigns Chief Wildlife Conservationist from the Directorate staff.

1.2.3. Manages the use of funds received from the purchase of hunting and fishing permits and duck blind reservations.

1.2.4. Prepares a fish and wildlife management program and integrates it with the overall natural resource program and other Base programs.

1.2.5. Issues AFFTC Form 5373, *Edwards AFB Wildlife Conservationist Identification Card*, to Wildlife Conservationists upon designation by the Air Base Wing Vice Commander.

1.3. The Chief Wildlife Conservationist

1.3.1. Manages the Volunteer Wildlife Conservation Program.

1.3.2. Prepares, organizes coordinates, evaluates, and documents training sessions held for Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists directly related to fish and wildlife and the Wildlife Conservation Program to include an appropriate amount of training. Such training will include a briefing on safety aspects and procedures associated with Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists duties. The Chief Wildlife Conservationist will fully coordinate training session topics with Security Forces and Judge Advocate.

1.3.3. Schedules, monitors, tracks, and accounts for the duties of all Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists.

1.3.4. Receives applications from, reviews the qualifications of, and screens applicants for assignment to Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist positions.

1.3.5. Coordinates with Security Forces on Wildlife Conservationist applicant recommendations prior to applicants being designated as Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists.

1.3.6. Prepares recommendations for the Air Base Wing Vice Commander approval, for recognition or award, of individual Wildlife Conservationists who demonstrate outstanding accomplishments with respect to the overall Wildlife Conservation Program.

1.3.7. Arranges for Environmental Management government vehicle use by Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists upon the request of those who will be engaged in scheduled duties and ensures that such individuals are eligible to use government vehicles and are properly trained in the use of a four-wheel drive vehicle.

1.3.8. Provides memoranda to Wildlife Conservationists to acknowledge a Covenant Not To Sue and Hold Harmless Agreement for participation in the Volunteer Wildlife Conservation Program and maintains the completed memoranda in Environmental Management files.

1.3.9. Prepares special Base hunting and fishing rules in coordination with Security Forces, Services, and Judge Advocate, for Air Base Wing Commander approval.

1.3.10. Assigns staff to contact Resource Operations Center at ext. 7-3940 at 1600 the working day before scheduled waterfowl hunting days to determine if low level aircraft missions are scheduled and hunting can be permitted or restricted. Maintains the Hunter Hotline for the waterfowl hunters. Hunting activities will not be scheduled during low altitude aircraft flight missions.

1.3.11. Conducts annual duck blind drawing.

1.4. The Wildlife and Animal Control Section, Security Forces

1.4.1. Enforces applicable Federal, State, Air Force, and Base instructions specific to fish and wildlife, routine law enforcement, and public safety.

1.4.2. Reviews the names of prospective applicants for Wildlife Conservationist positions and makes recommendations to the Chief Wildlife Conservationist as to their suitability for appointment.

1.4.3. Coordinates fish and wildlife law enforcement program efforts and wildlife animal and predator control actions with the Chief Wildlife Conservationist. Works with county, State, and Federal enforcement personnel on concurrent jurisdiction issues and mutual assistance.

1.4.4. Provides overall supervision of the law enforcement supporting functions of the Wildlife Conservation Program.

1.4.5. Provides appropriate amount of training on law enforcement related matters to Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists as required each year. Such training will include a discussion of the hazards Wildlife Conservationists may encounter in association with their duties and a session on proper radio use and procedures. This training will be coordinated with the Chief Wildlife Conservationist.

1.4.6. Ensures that radio communications equipment is made available to Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists while they are performing their assigned duties.

1.4.7. Develops and distributes to Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists a fact sheet on radio use.

1.4.8. Ensures (on call) Security Forces respond to incident reports by Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists.

1.4.9. Maintains files of all reported fish and game violations, Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists incident reports and the Security Forces or Base actions taken with respect to the reported incidents.

1.4.10. Keeps the Chief Wildlife Conservationist appraised of criminal activities that may adversely impact the assigned responsibilities of Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists in the conduct of their scheduled duties.

1.4.11. Recommends to the Air Base Wing Vice Commander suspension or revocation of Base hunting and/or fishing privileges of personnel found violating Base, State, or Federal Fish and Game laws.

1.4.12. Supports Chief Wildlife Conservationist and Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists at the hunter bag checks during waterfowl hunting season on opening weekend and then periodically throughout the season.

1.5. Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists

1.5.1. Maintain an adequate knowledge of the applicable sections of the California Department of Fish and Game laws, Federal migratory bird laws, rules for firearm safety, and first aid procedures.

1.5.2. Maintain hunting, fishing and other areas through wildlife conservation projects.

1.5.3. Report observed violations on incident reports to Wildlife Control. Once a hunter or angler has been observed or suspected of any wildlife violation, the Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist will not further confront or engage in any activity which could place him or her at risk from the suspected violator. The Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist will withdraw and report his or her observation to the proper authority.

1.5.4. Immediately report violations that require urgent action to the Law Enforcement Desk for action by the Security Forces. If available, first request the assistance of the on duty Wildlife Patrol. If not available, then request a Security Forces patrol.

1.5.5. Sign in and out at the Security Forces Armory when picking up a radio. Obtain and use a Security Forces radio for incident reporting purposes while on duty as a Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist and check in with the Security Forces Control Center at least once every hour by radio.

1.5.6. Are accompanied by at least one other Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist when actively serving in the capacity of a Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist. Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists must end their scheduled duties should they find themselves without the required backup support of another Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist.

1.5.7. Have a valid motor vehicle license when driving motor vehicles.

1.5.8. Have in their possession a valid AFFTC Form 5373, *Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist Identification Card*, while on duty as a Wildlife Conservationist. The AFFTC Form 5373 must be displayed when approaching hunters or anglers.

1.5.9. Apply or reapply to the Chief Wildlife Conservationist for the year that they wish to be considered as a Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist. Applications should include: name, organization, duty phone, work phone, experience in first aid, the hours and times the individual expects to be available, a description of what the applicant expects to contribute to the Wildlife Conservation Program, and a description of their interest and experience in fish and wildlife.

1.5.10. Sign a Covenant Not To Sue and Hold Harmless Agreement to exempt the Air Force from damages resulting from injuries incurred while serving scheduled duties as a Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist.

1.5.11. Schedule their duties with the Chief Wildlife Conservationist in advance.

1.5.12. Attend a mandatory training session, which will cover all aspects of the Wildlife Conservation Program.

1.5.13. Strive to perform an average of 8 hours per month to Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist duties.

1.5.14. Record areas patrolled and hours worked to the Chief Wildlife Conservationist using the Record of Volunteer Service, and submit the Record of Volunteer Service to the Chief Wildlife Conservationist by the fifth workday of each month, for the prior month's work.

1.5.15. Call the Hunter's Hotline, 277-1449 after 1600 on scheduled duty days to inquire about the status of hunting within Base hunting areas and assist in the notification of hunters within their local calling area of hunting day closures.

1.5.16. Assist in Wildlife Conservation Program efforts to check hunters for proper permits and regulation compliance at designated hunter check stations.

1.5.17. Conduct random checks for required fishing permits and for the number and species of the fish caught.

1.5.18. Are not permitted to carry firearms, either exposed or concealed, while conducting their duties as a Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist.

1.5.19. Are not engaged in hunting during scheduled Volunteer Wildlife Conservationist duties.

1.5.20. Are authorized to travel on roads outside ORV areas while performing duties.

#### 1.6. The Services Resource Management Flight

1.6.1. Deposits and accounts for the hunting and fishing permit and reservation receipt monies with the Comptroller to the Wildlife Conservation Fund, 57X5095, Services administrative/use fee charged for permit sales will be retained by Services.

#### 1.7. Outdoor Recreation and Rod and Gun Club (Services)

1.7.1. Sells EAFB hunting and fishing permits (AFFTC Forms 5317, *Hunting Permit*, and 5149, *Fishing Permit*).

1.7.2. Sells guest hunting and fishing permits.

1.7.3. Verifies eligibility for purchase of permits (AFFTC Forms 5149 and 5317) by ensuring that each individual possesses a valid military identification (ID) card, or other ID that would make them eligible to hunt or fish on Edwards AFB.

1.7.4. Orders forms, permits, and cards required by this regulation and supplies these to the anglers and hunters as appropriate.

1.7.5. Supplies this regulation and AFFTC Forms 5303 and 5823 to hunters and anglers upon purchase of a hunting or fishing permit.

1.7.6. Stocks fish in the Branch Memorial Pond when associated with a Services sponsored special event.

1.7.7. Coordinates all fish stockings with Environmental Management.

1.7.8. Consults with Environmental Management on accounting and expenditure of fish and wildlife (57X5095) funds.

1.7.9. Provides a written memorandum to Environmental Management that details the number by type of permits sold, and the number of duck blind reservations sold by Services, and the amount of money collected and deposited into the fish and wildlife account by Services for the past fiscal year. This memorandum is due by the close of business of the fifth workday in October.

1.7.10. Transports live game when associated with a Services sponsored field dog training activity. Such use shall be in compliance with State game laws, must be assessed for environmental impacts by Environmental Management, and 50 percent or more of the participants must possess an Edwards AFB hunting permit. Guest participants must possess an Edwards AFB daily guest hunting permit for each day of use and have an authorized Base hunting permit holder (nonguest) as a sponsor.

1.7.11. Provides the location for and assists with the annual duck blind drawing.

1.7.12. Collects funds from the sale of duck blind reservations sold at the annual duck blind drawing. Notifies Environmental Management at 277-1401 each time any available duck blind is sold after the duck blind drawing.

1.7.13. Provides a list of duck blind reservation holders to Wildlife and Animal Control and Chief Wildlife Conservationist, within two weeks following the annual duck blind drawing. Provides the duck blind reservation list if requested by hunters. The duck blind reservation list will include assigned blind number, full name, address, work and home phone of reservation holders. Provides any hunter survey reports and hunt day reports, submitted by the hunters, to the Chief Wildlife Conservationist.

1.7.14. Sells any available duck blind not sold at the annual duck blind drawing.

1.7.15. Designates grandfathered members of the rod and gun activity, maintaining a list of such members, and supplying this list to Environmental Management and Wildlife and Animal Control by 30 September of each year.

1.7.16. Notifies hunters when their blinds are not up to acceptable standards.

1.8. Resource Operations Section responds to telephone requests from Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists for information on potential conflicts between hunting activities and low altitude aircraft flight missions. Hunting activities will not be scheduled during low altitude aircraft flight missions.

## **2. GENERAL PERMIT PROVISIONS**

2.1. Fishing permits (AFFTC Form 5149) and hunting permits (AFFTC Form 5317) are required to hunt and fish on Edwards AFB. Permit fees are subject to change by the Air Base Wing Vice Commander without notice. Permits may be purchased at Outdoor Recreation, Bldg. 7211, and at the Rod and Gun Club, Bldg. 210.

2.1.1. Fishing permits:

2.1.1.1. General fishing permits – \$10. Valid for 1 year from date purchased.

2.1.1.2. Daily fishing permit – \$5. Valid for 1 day.

2.2. Hunting permits:

2.2.1. Hunting permit – \$25. Active Duty Enlisted Military (E1 through E9). Valid for 1 year from the date purchased.

2.2.2. Hunting permit – \$50. Not Active Duty Enlisted Military. Valid for 1 year from the date purchased.

2.2.3. Seasonal guest hunting permit – \$50. Valid for waterfowl and upland game hunting seasons.

2.2.4. Daily guest hunting permit – \$10. Valid for 1 day.

2.3. Services use fee:

2.3.1. A \$2 use fee to be added to all permit sales.

### 3. GENERAL HUNTING PROVISIONS

3.1. Base law enforcement personnel on Edwards AFB will apply California Department of Fish and Game laws and special Base hunting rules.

3.2. Special Base hunting rules about seasons, bag limits, size, area closure, and conservation measures will be published periodically in the AFFTC Bulletin, the Desert Wings, or can be provided by contacting the Hunters Hotline, 277-1449, or Wildlife Control, 277-7138.

3.3. All people who hunt on Edwards AFB must carry valid picture ID. Hunters, 16 years of age or older, must carry an AFFTC Form 5317, *Edwards AFB Hunting Permit*, and a California State hunting license. If hunting waterfowl, a Federal and a California State duck stamp are also required. Hunters under the age of 16 do not need the Form 5317 and must be accompanied by an adult sponsor with the appropriate licenses, and must comply with applicable California laws.

3.4. Persons authorized to hunt on Edwards AFB are:

3.4.1. Active duty and retired military members, and their dependents.

3.4.2. Employees of the Department of Defense, tenant organizations, and contractor employees assigned to Edwards AFB, and their dependents.

3.4.3. Dependents, covered under paragraphs 3.4.1. and 3.4.2., under 16 years of age who are accompanied by a sponsor who has the proper permits. The sponsor is responsible for the conduct of the dependent.

3.4.4. Grandfathered Members of the Rod and Gun Activity, whose name is on the list of Grandfathered Members at the time of purchasing the permit.

3.4.5. Guests of persons covered under paragraphs 3.4.1., 3.4.2. and 3.4.4.

3.5. Edwards AFB hunting permit holders may sponsor a guest provided that:

3.5.1. The guest has all the Federal, State, and Base permits and stamps.

3.5.2. The sponsor assumes full responsibility for conduct of the guest.

3.5.3. The sponsor and/or guest purchase one or both of the following:

3.5.3.1. A daily guest permit will be made available to all authorized Base hunters. The daily guest permit is a regular Base hunting permit with the words "Daily" and "Guest" stamped across the face of it. The date of use will be stamped on the Base permit by Services along with the "Daily" and "Guest" notation at the time the permit is sold. Daily guest permits will be made out in the name of the guest. The guest must always be in the sponsor's presence while hunting on Edwards AFB.

3.5.3.2. A seasonal guest permit will be made available to hunters only. The words “Seasonal” and “Guest” will be stamped across the face of a regular hunting permit. The seasonal guest permit will be made out in the name of the Edwards AFB hunter sponsor who must be present while the guest is hunting on Edwards AFB.

### 3.6. Duck Blind Sales and Finances

3.6.1. Duck blind reservations are sold at the annual duck blind drawing for \$50 per person at \$100 per blind, and are good throughout the waterfowl-hunting season. Reservation fees are subject to change by the Air Base Wing Vice Commander without notice.

3.6.2. All wildlife permit money collected by Services is accounted for by Services and deposited with the Comptroller to the Wildlife Conservation Fund, 57X5095. The Services administrative/use fee collected from the sale of permits will be retained by Services. Environmental Management manages the expenditure of funds collected for the Fish and Wildlife Program.

### 3.7. Miscellaneous

3.7.1. The use of a nonmotorized watercraft on Piute Pond is allowed only during waterfowl-hunting season to access duck blinds and retrieve fallen ducks or geese harvested. All persons using watercraft must wear a life vest that is approved by the U.S. Coast Guard.

3.7.2. Only personnel authorized by Environmental Management and Services will transport live game for stocking purposes on Edwards AFB.

3.7.3. It is mandatory that a full report be made immediately by hunters to the Security Police of any incident resulting in personal safety violations, or damage to property, signs, vehicles, etc.

## 4. AUTHORIZED HUNTING AREAS

4.1. Authorized hunting areas are provided in this regulation (see maps, Attachments 2-5). Hunting and fishing on Edwards AFB is allowed only in these areas. Hunters may have access to all hunting areas for legitimate hunting activities, such as, scouting out hunting opportunities, bird movements, or duck blind construction/repair. Due to possible nonchlorination, contact with water at Piute Ponds is not allowed prior to 30 days before the opening of the hunting season or after 30 days from the close of the hunting season. No hunting is allowed in the Quail Conservation Area.

4.2. Hunting areas are off limits to all personnel not specifically authorized except the Security Forces, State and Federal wildlife officers, Environmental Management personnel, Wildlife Conservationists, Emergency Response Teams, Outdoor Recreation personnel, and personnel engaged in legal hunting activities, and such other persons designated by or acting under the direction of the AFFTC/CC or his/her command staff.

## 5. SPECIAL HUNTING RULES AND RESTRICTIONS FOR EDWARDS AFB

### 5.1. Hunting Days and Hours Authorized:

5.1.1. Waterfowl hunting is permitted only at the Piute Ponds area. Waterfowl hunting is authorized at the times listed in the State regulations—on Sundays, Wednesdays, Federal holidays, and on the first Saturday of the duck-hunting season. When there is a split season for ducks, and the second split opens on a Saturday, hunting will be authorized on the opening Saturday. If it is a split season for ducks and either the first or second split ends on a Saturday, hunting will be authorized for that Saturday. Waterfowl hunting will not be authorized on Base prior to the first (opening) weekend for ducks as established by the California Department of Fish and Game.

5.1.2. Dove hunting is permitted during the days and hours posted in the State regulations. Dove hunting is permitted in the 5 square mile area in the Graham Ranch vicinity (Area 2), Mesquite woodlands (Area 3), and in the 28 square mile area in the Bissell Hills vicinity (Area 1) and Red Barn Marsh, during the early and late season should they both be authorized. Dove hunting in the Piute Ponds area (Area 7) is allowed during the early season only.

5.1.3. Quail and chukar hunting in authorized areas is permitted on the days and times published in the State regulations. Quail and chukar hunting is permitted in Bissell Hills (Area 1), Graham Ranch (Area 2), and Mesquite woodlands (Area 3).

5.1.4. Rabbit hunting (black-tailed jackrabbit and cottontail) in Areas 1, 2, and 3, is permitted only during the times posted in the State regulations. Archery hunting is allowed for rabbit only in the Graham Ranch (Area 2). Rabbit hunting is not allowed in the Piute Ponds area.

5.1.5. Military missions may require further limitation. To avoid inconvenience, hunters must call the Hunters Hotline (661) 277-1449 prior to leaving for hunting areas to make sure the hunting areas are open for use. For authorized hunting days falling on Tuesday through Saturday, hunters should call the Hunters Hotline after 1630 on the day before a scheduled hunting day. For hunting days falling on Sunday or Monday, hunters may call the Hunter Hotline after 1630 on the Friday immediately preceding the authorized Sunday or Monday hunting day.

5.1.6. The California Department of Fish and Game publishes hunting season dates, starting times for shooting, and daily bag limits and possession limits for waterfowl, upland game, and rabbits.

## 5.2. Waterfowl Hunting Rules

### 5.2.1. Duck Blind Sales (see Attachment 1 for specifics)

5.2.1.1. A duck blind reservation is required of waterfowl hunters who want to control the use of an occupied blind for which they are the assigned reservation holders. On authorized hunting days, the primary duck blind reservation holder and his or her chosen blind partner, who must also be a blind reservation holder, control the use of their blind when either occupies the blind.

5.2.1.2. One blind will be designated as a handicap blind for use by mobility impaired individuals (individuals with a condition which severely impairs their ability to access a duck blind, such as a wheel chair, walker, artificial limb, cane, etc.).

5.2.1.3. Environmental Management will conduct the annual duck blind drawing.

5.2.1.4. Drawings for the duck blinds will be held at the Rod and Gun Activity in August, on a date and time specified by Services, or at such other location as Services shall designate. The time of the drawing will be advertised by Services in the AFFTC Bulletin and the Desert Wings. An announcement will be made a minimum of three weeks before the drawing with a reminder in the Desert Wings just before the blind drawing.

5.2.1.5. Purchase of a duck blind reservation and location is no guarantee by the AFFTC that there will be water at that location during the waterfowl-hunting season. After the day of the duck blind drawing, no refunds for blind reservation fees are authorized. At the time of the duck blind drawing, the hunter is required to sign a form authorizing the Air Force to release the hunters home telephone and address to prospective users of duck blinds.

5.2.2. In controlled waterfowl hunting areas, all shooting must be from permanent numbered blinds or blind locations, with the exception of jump shooting during authorized days and at authorized times. The use of temporary blinds will not be permitted. The hunters will not move permanent blinds, or designated locations. The hunters will not erect additional blinds not authorized in the designated locations drawn during the duck blind drawing.

5.2.3. Jump shooting from outside of a blind will be permitted only after 0900 on authorized hunting days. Jump shooting is not allowed in areas occupied by blind holders.

5.2.4. No more than four hunters are allowed in a blind at any one time.

5.2.5. Any Base hunting permit holder with proper State and Federal licenses and stamps may use unoccupied blinds; however, individuals should secure the duck blind reservation holder's permission before the morning of the hunt. Duty and home telephone numbers of reservation holders will be available for individuals making use of a blind. Individuals making use of a blind, who have not secured permission to do so, must leave at the request of the reservation holder.



5.2.6. When making use of another individual's duck blind, the blind and any decoys must be left as they were found.

5.2.7. All persons, when hunting waterfowl on Edwards AFB, will have a means of retrieval. Hunters must leave at least one wing on each bird harvested for proper identification by law enforcement officials, Fish and Game wardens, and by the Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists.

5.2.7.1. Hunters are required to stop at hunter check stations when present and in use and will not need to fill out the Hunter Survey Form 5303. If the check station is not available, hunters are required to fill out the Hunter Survey Form 5303. The hunter check stations are usually located at the Avenue C entry to Piute Ponds.

5.2.8. Hunters must be in their blind a minimum of 30 minutes before the starting time for shooting. Late arrivals may disrupt hunting, and place the individual in the line of fire from the next blind. Therefore, late arrivals will be turned away for that day.

5.2.9. Indiscriminate walking and loud talking in controlled hunting areas is not permitted.

5.2.10. Only authorized personnel are allowed to control the flow of water in controlled use waterfowl hunting areas. Unauthorized tampering with water flow control devices may result in hunting closures.

5.2.11. Guest hunters must hunt from the same blind as their sponsor and the sponsor's authorized duck blind partner must concur with the guest being in the blind.

5.2.12. Hunters will make every reasonable effort to retrieve wounded game.

5.2.13. Hunters will retrieve downed birds as soon as possible with as little interference to other hunters as possible. Hunters are encouraged to use dogs; however, they must be kept under control at all times.

5.2.14. Duck Blind Maintenance, Construction, and Inspection:

5.2.14.1. Duck blind reservation holders are responsible for constructing and maintaining a blind in the permanent numbered location they purchased. All debris removed from the duck blind location during construction and maintenance must be removed the same day from the Piute Ponds area and disposed of properly. Purchasing a blind reservation is a commitment to do the necessary work to construct and/or maintain the blind in an acceptable condition. Relocating the blinds without approval from the Chief Wildlife Conservationist is prohibited.

**5.2.14.1.1. Duck blinds should blend as much as possible into the surrounding area.**

**5.2.14.1.2. Duck blind reservation holders are responsible for cutting pond frontage (cattails and bushes).**

**5.2.14.1.3. Reservation holders may not clear frontage by burning vegetation.**

**5.2.14.1.4. Duck blinds must be ready for preliminary inspection three weeks before opening day. The Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists will conduct the duck blind inspections. The Volunteer Wildlife Conservationists will notify blind reservation holders if a blind is unacceptable, and if repairs need to be made. All repairs will be completed and final inspection will be made two weeks before opening day. Any blind failing to pass final inspection will be grounds to revoke an individual's blind reservation.**

5.2.14.2. All decoys must be removed from the waterfowl hunting area within two weeks after the close of waterfowl season. Thereafter, there is no guarantee that the water will be safe for human contact. The duck blinds must be cleared of all garbage and shell casings after the waterfowl season. The primary and secondary blind holders are responsible for the clean up. There will be an inspection two weeks after the hunting season. Failure to pass inspection may result in revoking privileges of owning a blind for the next waterfowl season.

5.2.15. Duck blind reservation holders who have their blind revoked will forfeit their \$50 blind fee and no refund will be made. The blind will then be issued to the first individual on a waiting list developed from names drawn at the blind drawing for which no blinds were available.

### 5.3. Edwards AFB Firearm Use Restrictions

5.3.1. The only firearm authorized for use and possession while hunting is a shotgun. Hunters must follow the California State regulations for the size and type of shot to be used.

5.3.2. No one will carry a loaded firearm in a vehicle, or shoot from within or upon any vehicle, whether moving or stationary (loaded firearm meaning an unexpended cartridge in a chamber or in a magazine, which is attached to the firearm).

5.3.3. No one will shoot any firearm towards or within 150 yards of any occupied building, dwelling, fenced developed area, or road, or across a public or Base road or highway.

5.3.4. Waterfowl hunters may not shoot directly at adjacent blinds.

5.3.5. Hunters within 500 yards of the Piute Ponds waterfowl camping area are prohibited from shooting in that direction when individuals, campers or vehicles are present. It is the hunter's responsibility to determine whether campers or vehicles are present.

5.3.6. While hunting on Base, the use or possession of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.

5.3.7. Hunting or trapping of predators, such as coyotes, bobcats, badgers, etc., is prohibited.

5.3.8. Target practice is only authorized at the Small Arms Range, or at the Rod and Gun Activity with the proper authorization.

5.3.9. Falconry hunting is prohibited.

5.3.10. Archery equipment used will be in accordance with the State regulations. Crossbows are prohibited.

### 5.4. Required Forms and Reporting

5.4.1. Each hunting party must complete AFFTC Form 5303, *EAFB Hunter Survey*, after each day of hunting. The completed AFFTC Form 5303 will be turned in to Environmental Management within 2 weeks of the hunting day. Failure to turn in the completed Hunting Survey Forms as required by this regulation may result in the revocation of an individual's hunting privileges. Copies of AFFTC Form 5303 may be obtained at Outdoor Recreation, Bldg. 7211, the Rod and Gun Activity, Bldg. 210. An AFFTC Form 5303 is needed for monitoring recreation use and harvest levels.

5.4.2. In addition, all motor vehicles used by hunters while hunting on EAFB will display AFFTC Form 5823, *Hunter's Vehicle Identification*. An AFFTC Form 5823 will be issued by Outdoor Recreation, or the Rod and Gun Activity, to EAFB hunting permit holders only at the time their hunting permit is purchased. The AFFTC Form 5823 is needed for hunter safety and installation security.

### 5.5. Vehicle Use Restrictions

5.5.1. Vehicles must remain on existing roads. Off road travel is prohibited.

5.5.2. Dry lake areas are off limits to hunters and vehicle traffic.

5.5.3. All waterfowl hunters using Hunting Area 6 (see Attachment 5) must park their cars in authorized areas. To prevent disturbing waterfowl, hunters will refrain from slamming vehicle doors.

5.5.4. On authorized hunting days in waterfowl hunting areas, driving on impoundment dikes with motor vehicles is prohibited from 1 hour prior to the start time listed in the State waterfowl hunting regulation until 9:00 a.m.

#### 5.6. Camping:

5.6.1. Camping in Hunting Area 6, Piute Ponds, will be allowed only within the area designated in this instruction (see Attachment 5), and only on Friday and Saturday nights of the first (opening) weekend for the duck hunting season.

5.6.2. No open fires will be permitted except while camping and then only the use of charcoal grills is permitted.

5.6.3. Camping area must be kept free of trash.

### 6. GENERAL FISHING PROVISIONS

6.1. California Department of Fish and Game laws will be applied on Edwards AFB, except where further limited by special Base fishing rules.

6.2. Special rules about seasons, size limits, and conservation measures will be published periodically in the AFFTC Bulletin, the Desert Wings, or provided by contacting Environmental Management, 277-1401; Wildlife and Animal Control, 277-7138; or Services, 277-3546.

6.3. All people who fish on Edwards AFB must carry valid ID, and all individuals 16 and older must carry AFFTC Form 5149, *EAFB Fishing Permit*. A California State Fishing License is not required.

6.4. Persons authorized to fish on Edwards AFB are:

6.4.1. Active duty and retired military members, and their dependents.

6.4.2. Department of Defense, tenant organizations, and contractor employees assigned to Edwards AFB, and their dependents.

6.4.3. Dependents covered under paragraphs 6.4.1. and 6.4.2. under 16 years of age who are accompanied by a sponsor who has the proper permits. The sponsor is responsible for the conduct of the dependent.

6.4.4. Guests of persons covered under paragraphs 6.4.1. and 6.4.2.

6.5. Edwards AFB fishing permit holders may sponsor a guest provided that:

6.5.1. The sponsor assumes full responsibility for conduct of the guest.

6.5.2. The sponsor and/or guest purchase a daily guest permit, which will be made available to all authorized Base anglers. The daily guest permit is a regular Base fishing permit with the words "Daily" and "Guest" stamped across the face of it. The date of use will be stamped on the Base permit by Services along with the "Daily" and "Guest" notation at the time the permit is sold. Daily guest permits will be made out in the name of the guest. The guest must always be in the sponsor's presence while fishing on Edwards AFB.

6.6. All fish permit money collected by Services is accounted for by Services and deposited with the Comptroller to the Wildlife Conservation Fund, 57X5095. Environmental Management manages the expenditure of funds collected for the Fish and Wildlife Program.

6.7. Watercraft use is permitted on Branch Memorial Pond. All persons using watercraft must wear a life vest that is approved by the U.S. Coast Guard. A limit of two boats on the pond at any one time is allowed for a maximum of two hours if other anglers are waiting to use their boats. There is no limit on the number of persons using individual floating waders.

6.8. Only personnel authorized by Environmental Management will transport live fish for stocking purposes on Edwards AFB.

6.9. Anglers will report immediately to the Security Police any incident resulting in risk to personal safety, or damage to property, signs, vehicles, etc.

## **7. FISHING RESTRICTIONS FOR EDWARDS AFB**

7.1. People who are authorized to fish on Base are limited to the use of one rod and reel, one pole and line, or one hand-held line that must be under the immediate control of the person fishing. There is a limit of one hook per line.

7.2. No fish hatchery feed is permitted except when used by Environmental Management or Services.

7.3. The daily limit per person is 3 fish per day, with no limit on carp or bluegill. Anglers catching catfish less than 10 inches in length and bass less than 12 inches in length will release these back into the pond.

7.4. Fishing in the authorized area (Branch Memorial Pond) will be allowed all year, 24 hours per day except when the pond is temporarily closed for stocking. Environmental Management will announce pond closures in the Desert Wings and signs will be posted around the pond.

7.5. Swimming, by humans or animals, in Branch Memorial Pond is prohibited.

7.6. An adult sponsor must accompany persons under 18 years of age fishing after sunset.

7.7. The use of spotlights for fishing is prohibited.

7.8. Lead-sinkers are not authorized for use at Branch Memorial Pond.

7.9. Each angler is required to complete one AFFTC Form 5875, *Fish Survey*, for each day of fishing. The completed AFFTC Form 5875 can be turned into Environmental Management, Bldg. 2650A, or deposited in the box at Branch Memorial Pond. Copies of the surveys may be obtained at the informative sign at Branch Pond or at Outdoor Recreation, Equipment Issue, Bldg 7211, and the Rod and Gun Activity, Bldg 210. An AFFTC Form 5875 is required for monitoring recreation use and ensuring proper stocking rates.

## **8. APPENDIX**

8.1. It is unlawful to sell, purchase, harm, harass, take, possess, transport or shoot a projectile at a desert tortoise or at any other Federal endangered or threatened species.

8.2. Anyone finding munitions, unexploded shells or similar objects must report such findings to the Base Security Police. Such objects will not be touched or disturbed except by Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) personnel.

8.3. All historic ruins and prehistoric sites are protected under the Archaeological Resources Protection Act and Air Force Instruction 32-7065. Persons responsible for removal of artifacts and/or vandalism to historic or prehistoric sites are subject to prosecution.

8.4. With the exception of charcoal broilers or grills, the use of an open fire is prohibited on Base. Use of a charcoal grill within 15 feet of any building is prohibited.

## **9. APPLICATION**

9.1. Anyone, who violates any provisions of this instruction or commits an act inconsistent with safe practices resulting in the injury or damage to persons or property, may have their hunting or fishing privileges withdrawn.

9.2. Military members who violate this directive may be subject to punitive action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) and/or the fish and game laws for the State of California.

9.3. Civilian personnel who violate this directive may be subject to punitive action by the U.S. Magistrates Court or the State of California, whichever is applicable.

**10. FORMS PRESCRIBED**

- 10.1. AFFTC Form 5149, *Fishing Permit*.
- 10.2. AFFTC Form 5303, *EAFB Hunter Survey*.
- 10.3. AFFTC Form 5317, *Hunting Permit*.
- 10.4. AFFTC Form 5373, *EAFB Wildlife Conservationist Identification Card*.
- 10.5. AFFTC Form 5823, *EAFB Hunter's Vehicle Identification*.
- 10.6. AFFTC Form 5875, *Fish Survey*.

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Commander

**13 Attachments:**

- 1. Edwards AFB Duck Blind Reservation Drawing Rules and Procedures
- 2. Hunting and Fishing Areas
- 3. Hunting Area 1, Rabbit, Dove, Chukar and Quail
- 4. Hunting Areas 2 & 5, Waterfowl, Dove, Chukar, Quail, and Rabbit
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- 5. Waterfowl and Dove Hunting Areas
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- 12. Sample Wildlife Conservation Program – Covenant Not To Sue and Hold Harmless Agreement
- 13. Sample Letter Certifying Intent to Hunt From Selected Duck Blind

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## Attachment 1

### EDWARDS AFB DUCK BLIND RESERVATION DRAWING RULES AND PROCEDURES

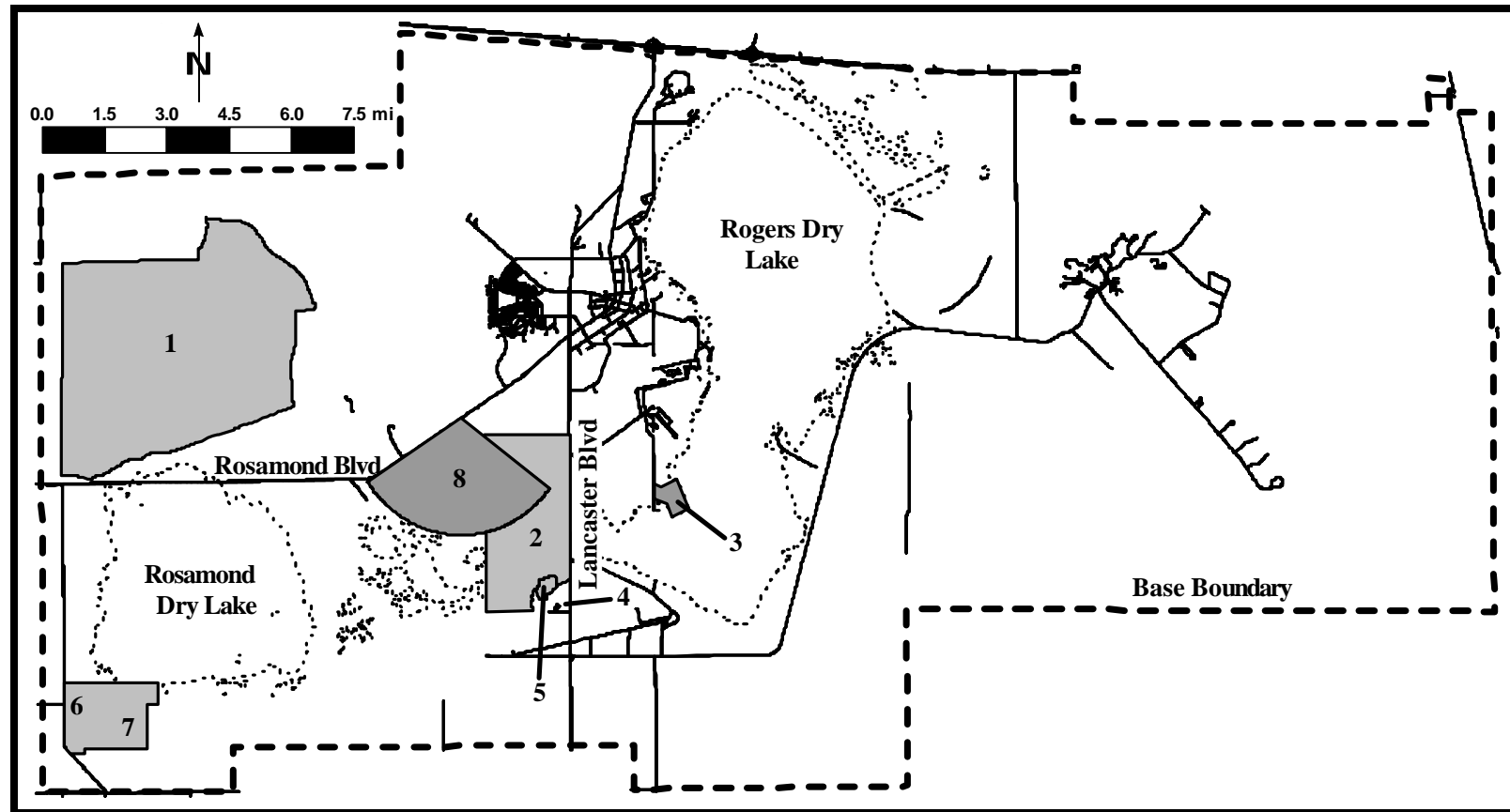
1. To be eligible to draw or be selected as a blind partner, Base hunters must have a current Edwards Air Force Base (AFB) hunting permit at the time of the drawing. The permit itself will be drawn. **To be eligible to draw or be selected as a blind partner, Base hunters must also show a current State hunting license to drawing officials. All persons in Priority 1-3 must sign a letter certifying they intend to hunt from the duck blind they select.**
2. Guest hunting permit holders are not eligible to participate in the blind drawing or be selected as a blind partner.
3. Hunting permit holders must be 18 years of age to participate in the blind drawing or be selected as a blind partner.
4. Duck blinds will be reserved for one year. Drawings will be held each year for all blinds.
5. When on-Base hunting facilities are limited, priorities for use will be drawn. For the purposes of this instruction, and this instruction only, duck blinds are considered to be an on-base facility. In general summary, these priorities are:
  - 5.1. Priority 1 - Active duty and their families assigned to Edwards AFB.
  - 5.2. Priority 2 - Active duty and their families assigned to another military installation.
  - 5.3. Priority 3 - Military retired and their dependents.
  - 5.4. Priority 4 - 100% disabled veterans, Medal of Honor recipients, and their dependents.
  - 5.5. Priority 5 - Members of Reserve components while on orders at the time of the drawing.
  - 5.6. Priority 6 - Unmarried spouses of military personnel who died while on active duty or while in a retired status and their dependents.
  - 5.7. Priority 7 - Military personnel of foreign nations and their dependents who are authorized exchange privileges.
  - 5.8. Priority 8 - Others who support the Department of Defense (DoD) mission as authorized by the Air Force Flight Test Center Commander (those authorized by this instruction to purchase a non-guest Edwards AFB hunting permit).
6. Prior to the duck blind draw anyone requiring a handicapped blind will make this known to the duck blind operators in order for the following procedures to apply.
  - 6.1. Handicap hunters will draw with the rest of the hunters for a blind priority number to ensure they are eligible to obtain a duck blind. Upon winning the opportunity to chose a blind, mobility impaired hunters will be given the option of taking the handicap access blind or participating in the general blind selection using their priority number previously drawn. If the handicapped hunter chooses to participate in the general blind selection, the option of using the designated handicap blind will be forfeited for this year, and the handicapped blind will revert to the general blind category.
  - 6.2. Once everyone has been assigned a blind priority number and handicapped issues have been addressed; hunters will then choose their preferred blinds by order of the numbers previously assigned.
7. Permits modified in any way such as by lamination or other physical alteration will be excluded from the drawing.
8. To participate in the blind drawing, a person must be present or must be represented at the drawing.
9. Blind reservation holders must supply Services with the full name, mailing address, and both work and home phone numbers of the primary blind holder and his or her selected blind partner. This must be provided at the time of the drawing or the blind will not be assigned. Services sends one copy to the duck blind reservation holder's list to Environmental Management, and one to Wildlife Control within 2 weeks following the annual duck blind drawing.

10. For those being represented at the drawing and falling into priorities 1 through 3, they must have entered their name on a list compiled by Environmental Management prior to the drawing and they must have verified their priority status through the display of their military ID. **They must also show a current State hunting license and sign a letter certifying their intent to hunt from the selected duck blind.**
11. For those being represented at the drawing and falling into priorities 4 through 8, they must provide their representative with proof of their status and current State hunting license.
12. An individual representing another at the blind drawing must be able to provide drawing officials the following: hunting permit of the person being represented, the permit of his or her selected partner, **their current State hunting licenses, signed letters certifying their intent to hunt from the selected duck blind**, proof of their priority status (if not on the priority list for those with military ID), their blind reservation fees, their mailing address, and both their work and home phone numbers.
13. Hunting permits will be placed in 1 of 8 boxes based on the priority of the permit holder.
14. An official from Environmental Management will ensure that all hunting permits are placed in the proper box prior to the drawing. Hunters will provide proof of their eligibility for a specific priority to this official.
15. Permits will be drawn in order of priority.
16. Individuals who have their permit drawn and have not selected, or who did not immediately select, an eligible blind partner, will have one selected for them by the drawing officials from Environmental Management.
17. Environmental Management will continue to draw additional permits after all available blinds have been selected. This will be accomplished to create a backup waiting list for use if and when a blind reservation is revoked due to inadequate blind construction or renovation.
18. An individual may not draw for more than one blind reservation.
19. A blind reservation may not be transferred without authorization from Environmental Management and may not be sold except by Services.
20. Authorized duck blinds not sold at the drawing, if any, may be purchased from the Rod and Gun Activity during normal operating hours.
21. Only one family member within a household may participate in the annual duck blind reservation drawing unless there is more than one active duty member in a household.



## Attachment 2

## HUNTING AND FISHING AREAS

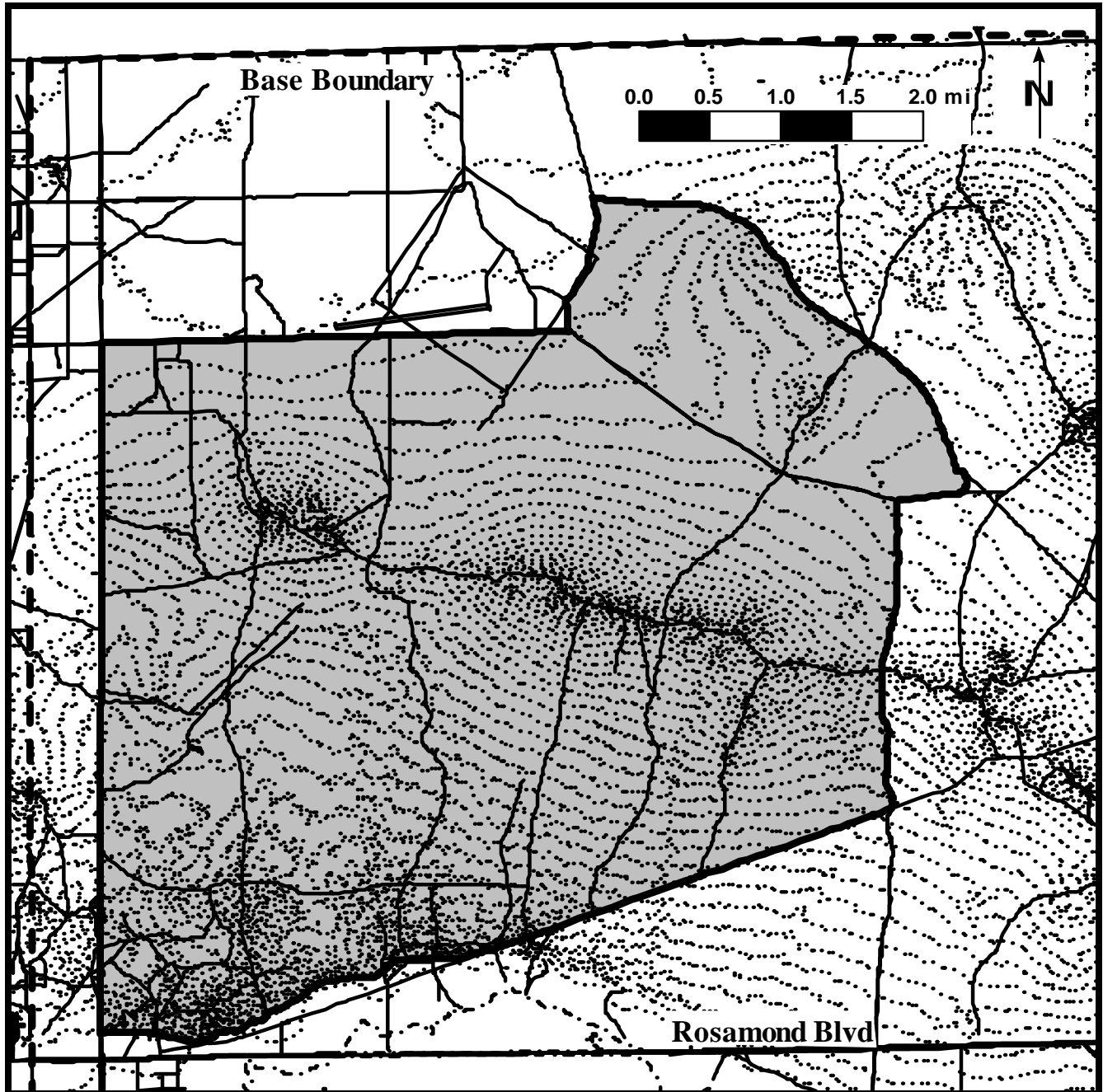


1. Rabbit, dove, chukar and quail hunting area. For area details see enlargement – Atch 3.
2. Dove, quail, chukar and rabbit hunting area. For area details see enlargement – Atch 4.
3. Base Sewage treatment plant lagoons. Closed to hunting.
4. Fishing pond. For area details see enlargement – Atch 4 & 4a.
5. Waterfowl hunting area. For area details see enlargement – Atch 4 & 4a.
6. Piute Ponds waterfowl hunting area. For area details see enlargement – Atch 5.
7. Piute Ponds dove hunting area. For area details see enlargement – Atch 5.
8. Combat Arms Range. Closed to hunting.

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Attachment 3

HUNTING AREA 1  
ROSAMOND HILLS/BISSELL HILLS AREA

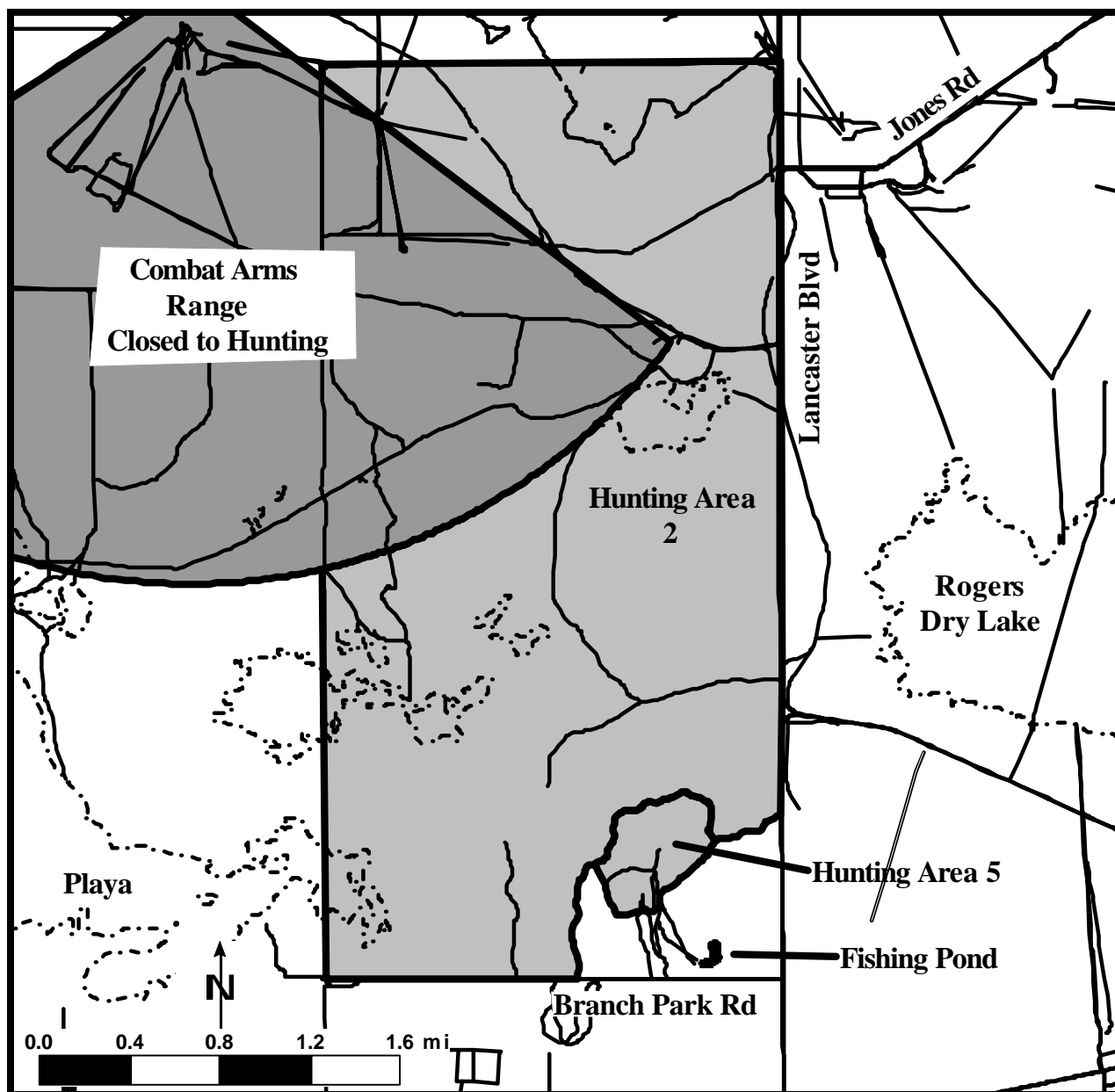


Hunting Area 1: Rabbit, dove, chukar, and quail hunting area.

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## Attachment 4

## HUNTING AREAS 2 &amp; 5 AND FISHING POND



Hunting Area 2: Dove, quail, chukar and rabbit.

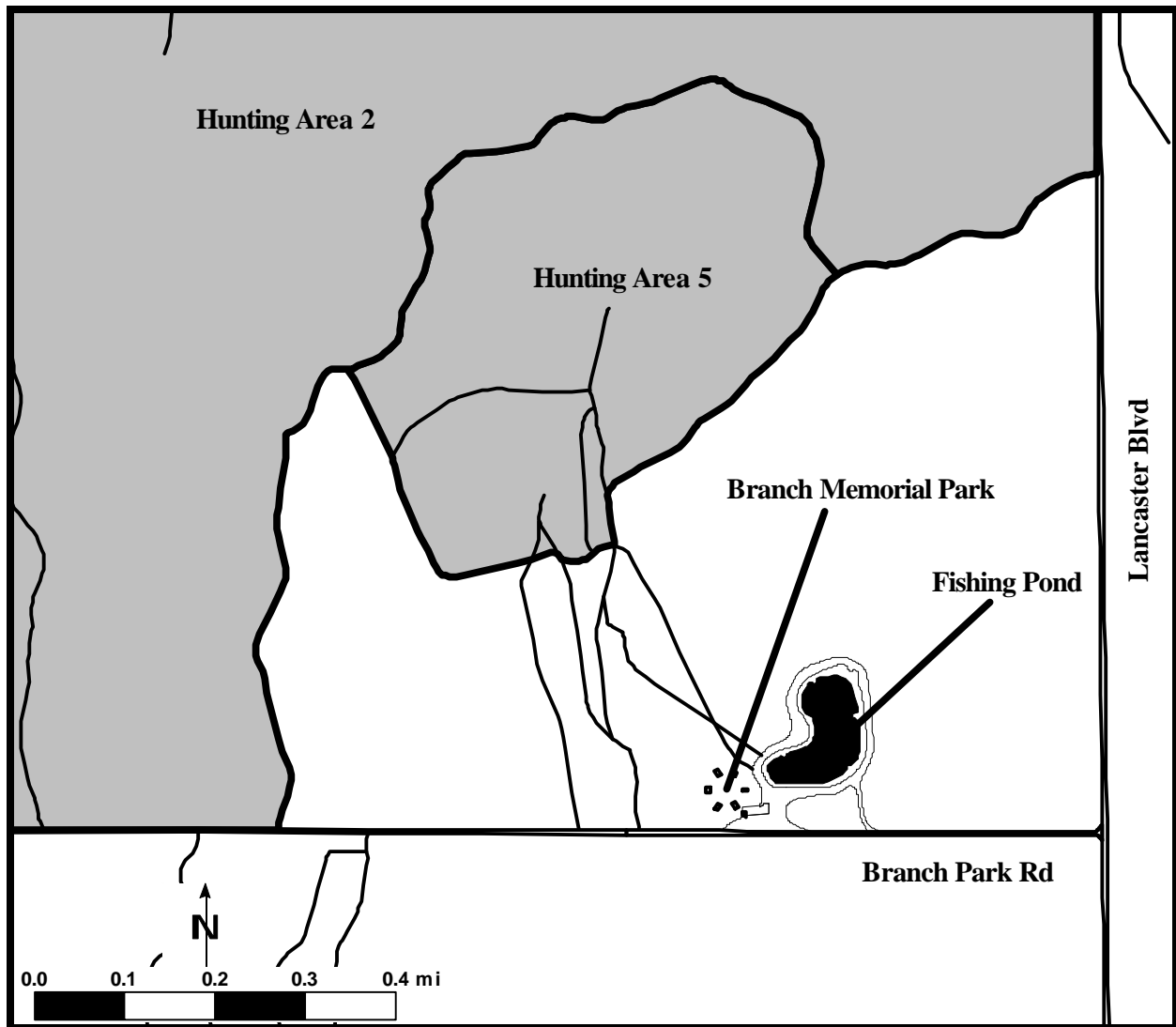
Hunting Area 5: Waterfowl.

Note: Hunting Areas 3 & 4 have been eliminated due to conflicts with the Combat Arms Range.

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## Attachment 4a

## HUNTING AREA 5/FISHING POND DETAIL



**Hunting Area 5: Waterfowl.**

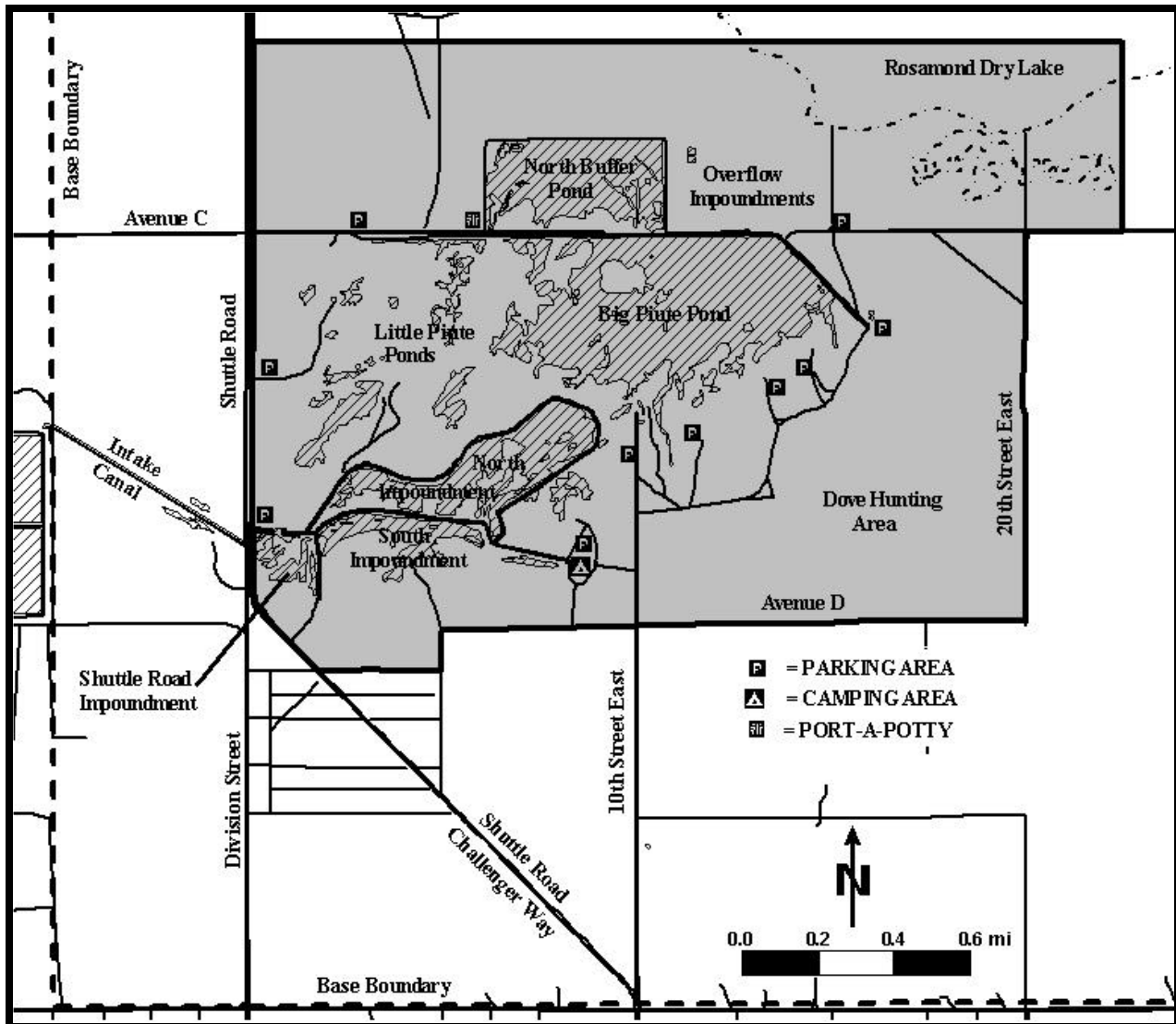
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## Attachment 5

# HUNTING AREAS 6 & 7 PIUTE PONDS



Hunting Area 6: Waterfowl.

Hunting Area 7: Dove.

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## Attachment 6

## SAMPLE AFTTC FORM 5149

<b>FISHING PERMIT</b> EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, CALIFORNIA 93524 (THIS PERMIT FALLS UNDER THE PRIVACY ACT OF 1974, SEE REVERSE) THIS IS NOT A PASS THIS PERMIT IS NON TRANSFERRABLE							
PERMIT NUMBER		ISSUE DATE		EXPIRATION DATE			
NAME/GRADE				SSN			
BIRTH DATE		WEIGHT		HEIGHT		COLOR HAIR	
COLOR EYES		SIGNATURE OF HOLDER					

AFTTC Form 5149, Aug 95

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## Attachment 7

## SAMPLE AFFTC FORM 5303

HUNTER SURVEY					
NAME _____					
HUNTING LOCATION <i>(Check appropriate block)</i>					
	AREA 1 – ROSAMOND HILLS/BISSELL HILLS AREA (Rabbit, dove, chukar and quail) _____		AREA 6 – BIG PIUTE POND/NORTH PIUTE POND/LITTLE PIUTE POND (Specify) _____		
	AREA 2 – GRAHAM RANCH AREA/SOUTEAST OF THE ROD AND GUN CLUB (Rabbit, dove, chukar, and quail) _____		AREA 7 – PIUTE PONDS PERIMETER/SOUTH OF ROSAMOND LAKE (Dove) _____		
	AREA 3 – MESQUITE WOODLANDS AREA/NORTH OF BRANCH MEMORIAL PARK (Dove, chukar, and quail) _____		OTHER HUNTING AREA (Specify) _____		
	AREA 5 – RED BARN MARSH _____		OTHER HUNTING AREA (Specify) _____		
NO. OF HUNTERS IN PARTY	DATE	ARRIVAL TIME	DEPARTURE TIME	TOTAL HOURS	NO. OF MOTOR VEHICLES USED BY HUNTING PARTY
HARVEST RECORD <i>(Number)</i>					
	PINTAIL (Sprig) _____		CANADA GOOSE (Honker) _____		
	MALLARD _____		LESSER CANADA GOOSE _____		
	WIGEON (Baldpate) _____		WHITE FRONT (Speckle) _____		
	SHOVELER _____		SNOWGOOSE _____		
	GREEN-WINGED TEAL _____		BRANT _____		
	CINNAMON TEAL _____		OTHER (Specify) _____		
			TOTAL GEESE HARVESTED _____		
	GADWALL (Grey Duck) _____		CALIFORNIA QUAIL (Valley Quail) _____		
	CANVASBACK _____		GAMBEL'S QUAIL _____		
	REDHEAD _____		CHUKAR (Red-legged partridge) _____		
	RING NECK DUCK (Blackjack) _____		MOURNING DOVE _____		
	OTHER (Specify) _____		OTHER UPLAND GAME BIRD (Specify) _____		
	TOTAL DUCKS HARVESTED _____		COTTONTAILED RABBIT _____		
	TOTAL COOTS HARVESTED _____		BLACKTAILED RABBIT _____		
	NUMBER OF BANDED BIRDS _____		OTHER MAMMALS (Specify) _____		
BANDED BIRD RECORD					
SPECIES	BAND NUMBER	SPECIES	BAND NUMBER		
SUBMIT THIS FORM WITHIN 2 WEEKS OF EACH HUNT TO: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> <div>OR</div> <div>             ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OFFICE (AFFTC/EM)              5 S. POPSON AVENUE              EDWARDS AFB CA 93524-           </div> </div> HAND DELIVER TO:					

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## Attachment 8

## SAMPLE AFFTC FORM 5317

<b>HUNTING PERMIT</b> EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, CALIFORNIA 93524 (THIS PERMIT FALLS UNDER THE PRIVACY ACT OF 1974, SEE REVERSE) THIS IS NOT A PASS THIS PERMIT IS NON TRANSFERABLE							
PERMIT NUMBER		ISSUE DATE		EXPIRATION DATE			
NAME/GRADE				SSN			
BIRTH DATE		WEIGHT		HEIGHT		COLOR HAIR	
COLOR EYES		SIGNATURE OF HOLDER					

AFFTC Form 5317 Aug 95

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## Attachment 9

## SAMPLE AFTC FORM 5373

	WILDLIFE CONSERVATIONIST EDWARDS AFB, CALIFORNIA (This card is affected by the Privacy Act - See Reverse)			DATE ISSUED	
				DATE EXPIRES	
	NAME/RANK			SSN	
	DOB	WT	HT	HAIR	EYES
SIGNATURE					
THIS INDIVIDUAL IS AUTHORIZED TO BE A WILDLIFE CONSERVATIONIST TO CONDUCT WILDLIFE CONSERVATION PROJECTS ON BASE					
COMMANDER, 95TH SUPPORT GROUP					

AFTC Form 5373 Jul 95 Previous editions are obsolete

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## Attachment 10

## SAMPLE AFFTC FORM 5823

HUNTER'S VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION			
NAME		DATE	
NUMBER IN HUNTING PARTY		BLIND NUMBER <i>(If blind hunting)</i>	
START TIME <i>((Circle AM or PM))</i> AM PM		ESTIMATED RETURN TIME <i>(Circle AM or PM)</i> AM PM	
PLACE THIS CARD IN PLAIN SIGHT ON THE DRIVER'S SIDE OF THE DASH WHEN LEAVING YOUR VEHICLE UNATTENDED			

AFFTC Form 5823

Jul 92

Replaces AFSC Form 5823, Dec 87, which may be used

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## Attachment 11

## SAMPLE AFFTC FORM 5875

FISH SURVEY (BRANCH MEMORIAL PARK – EDWARDS AFB, CALIFORNIA) (Subject to PRIVACY ACT OF 1974)					
AUTHORITY: 10 USC8012 Executive Order 9397.					
PRINCIPLE PURPOSE: Registration of personnel authorized to be a Wildlife Conservationist at Edwards AFB, California.					
ROUTINE USES: Used as a source document for identification of individuals.					
DISCLOSURE IS VOLUNTARY: Failure to fill out the identification will prevent positive identification for security requirements.					
Your help in completing this form will enable us to better manage this activity and to find out what we can do to make it better. Even if you didn't catch a fish, fill it out anyway! That is what we definitely want to improve! Thank you!				ANGLER'S NAME	
DATE FISHED	TOTAL CAUGHT	NO. OF HOURS SPENT FISHING	ADDRESS		PHONE NUMBER
STATISTICS					
	TOTAL CAUGHT	TYPE OF LURE/BAIT USED	WEIGHT	LENGTH	SPECIES
BASS					
CATFISH					
OTHER (IDENTIFY SPECIES)					
CARP					
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS					
<p>PLEASE RETURN REPORT TO: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OFFICE AFFTC/EMXC (NATURAL RESOURCES) 5 S. POPSON AVENUE</p> <p>OR: Deposit report in the box near the display</p>					

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**Attachment 12****SAMPLE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION PROGRAM  
COVENANT NOT TO SUE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

MEMORANDUM FOR AFFTC/EMXC  
5 East Popson Avenue Bldg 2650A  
Edwards AFB CA 93524-6225

**FROM:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Edwards AFB Wildlife Conservationist's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Address**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**City, State, Zip Code**

**SUBJECT:** Covenant Not To Sue And Hold Harmless Agreement

In consideration of the permission granted to me to participate in the Wildlife Conservation Program, I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby remise, release, and forever discharge the Federal Government of the United States, the Department of Defense, of the U.S. Armed Forces and their officers, agents, employees, servants, proceedings, debts, dues, judgments, and demands whatsoever in law or equity which I may have, or which my heirs, executors, administrators or assigns can, shall or may have by reason of my injury or death and of damage to property owned or being used by me, which occurs while I am in or on a DoD facility participating in this program.

I fully understand this document is a release of all possible claims which I might have as a result of my participation in the program and I acknowledge I have read and am aware of the terms of this release.

I further agree to defend, settle, or pay every claim or suit against the United States, its Agencies, and United States personnel, and will hold each of them harmless against any claim or suit including attorneys fees, costs and expenses, arising out of my participation in this activity.

I also acknowledge that I have been fully appraised of the rules and risks inherent in the Wildlife Conservation Program. I knowingly assume all risks associated with participation in this program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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**Attachment 13****SAMPLE LETTER CERTIFYING INTENT  
TO HUNT FROM SELECTED DUCK BLIND****MEMORANDUM FOR AFFTC/CC****SUBJECT:** Letter of Intent to Hunt From Selected Duck Blind

1. I hereby certify that I intend to hunt during the upcoming waterfowl season and will occupy the duck blind I am selected for as a primary or alternate reservation holder. This does not prevent me from jump shooting or utilizing other duck blinds as allowed in AFFTCI 32-8. If for any reason my intention changes, such as a temporary or permanent change in duty station that will not allow me to hunt during the upcoming waterfowl season, I will immediately notify the Rod and Gun Activity so that the duck blind may be reassigned to another hunter.

2. I fully understand that any breach of this certification may result in loss of hunting privileges, loss of duck blind reservation status, and any other such actions deemed appropriate by the Installation Commander.

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(Signature)

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(Date)

Please print legibly and fill in the following information:

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(Full Name)

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(Rank, Unit, Duty Station)

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(Work Phone Number)

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